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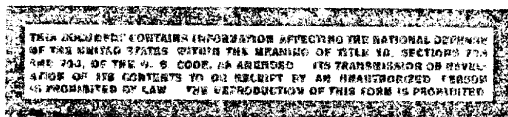
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1. The State Iron Foundry, at 6 Agfalvai ut. in Sopron, was located south of the Sopron-Wiener Neustadt railroad line and west of the Sopron worsted spinning mill in the southwest section of Sopron. The plant was bounded by fields in the south.
2. Until the fall of 1952, the foundry designated as Sopron iron factory comprised the foundry and the lock factory and, up to that time, was Soviet property as a former German enterprise. In the fall of 1952, the two plants were legally separated and the foundry was renamed Soproni vasöntöde and subordinated to the Ministry for Heavy Industry.
3. The factory was located in old buildings which had been reconditioned in recent years. Minor annexes including a room for performances and lavatories had been attached. The construction of a building for the factory fire brigade and the annealing plant were planned. The factory included a foundry, a dressing plant, an annealing plant, a straightening plant, an affiliated enterprise, and a power section.
4. The factory had no power plant and was supplied by the power plant in Barhida (Q 48/Y 94). A spur track to the railroad station in the south section of Sopron and a narrow-gauge railroad system in the plant area were available.
5. The factory produced components for pumps, casings for electromotors, components for motors, and weaving looms, piston rings for a factory in Budapest, and keys and locks for the Sopron lock factory. The daily output was between 50 to 70 tons of castings. Work was done in two shifts. Three to 4 percent of the output were expected to be refuse. The actual percentage was between 6 and 12 percent.
6. Varga (fnu), a former worker at the Mátyás-Rákosi Works in Csepel was head of the plant. Other employees included Endre Nagysadanyi, Merton Goeroeg, and Salomon (fnu), as engineers, Nador Pracsar as head of the laboratory and specialist for black annealed cast iron, Zoltan Horvath as head of the personnel department, he was formerly driver at the works, Laszlo Horvath, Rudolf Nemeth, a former locksmith, and Nador Patzer as chief of the foundry, and Mihaly Zingrabel, as chief of the grinding shop.

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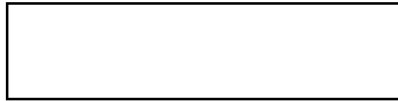
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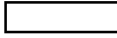
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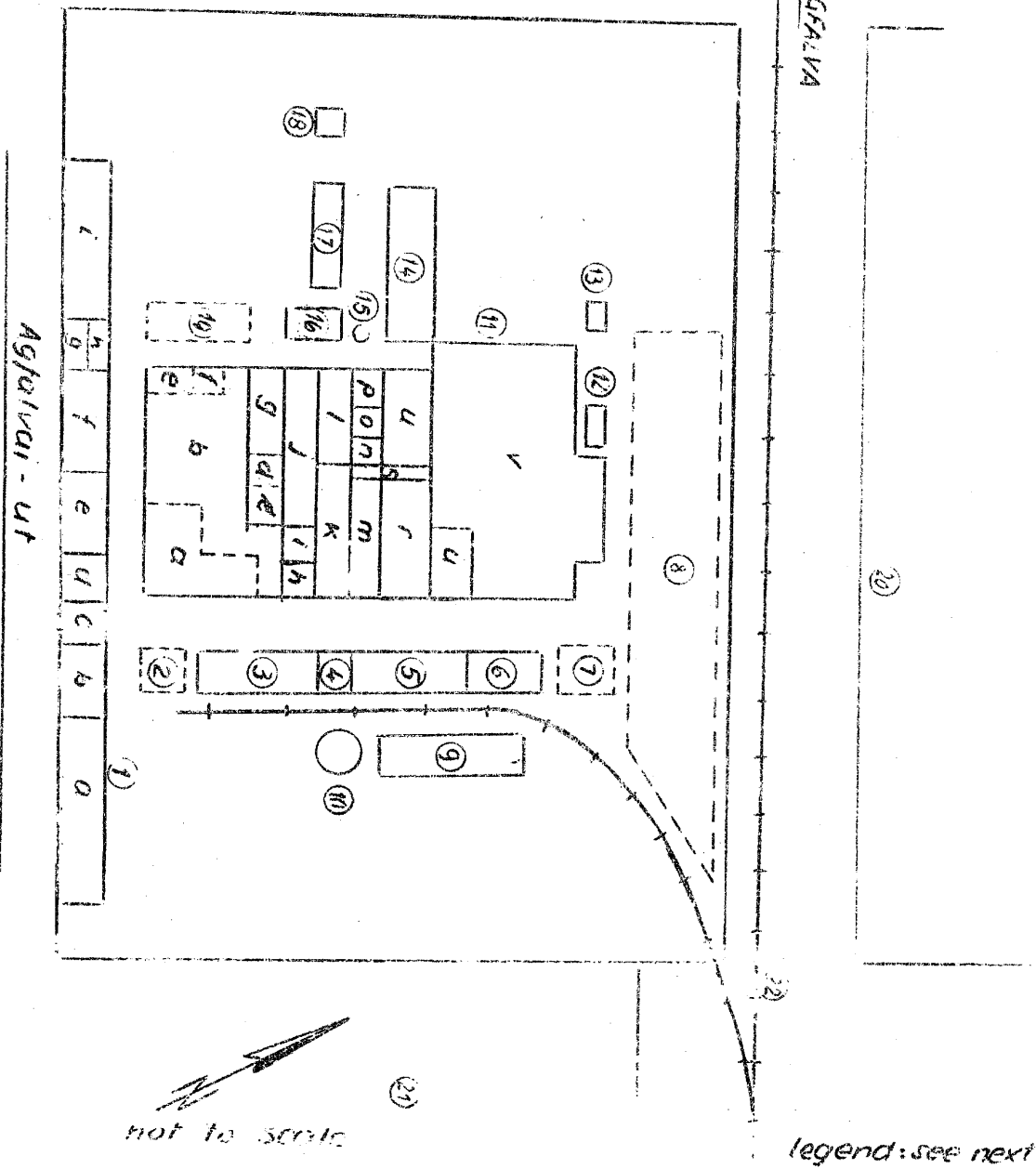
7. The labor force of the plant numbered 600 workers including 40 percent women. About 300 laborers were employed during the war. Work was done in two shifts.
8. The plant was guarded by a factory police and a fire brigade of about 15 persons. Courses in air defense were held. Air raid shelters had been reconditioned.

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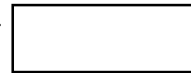
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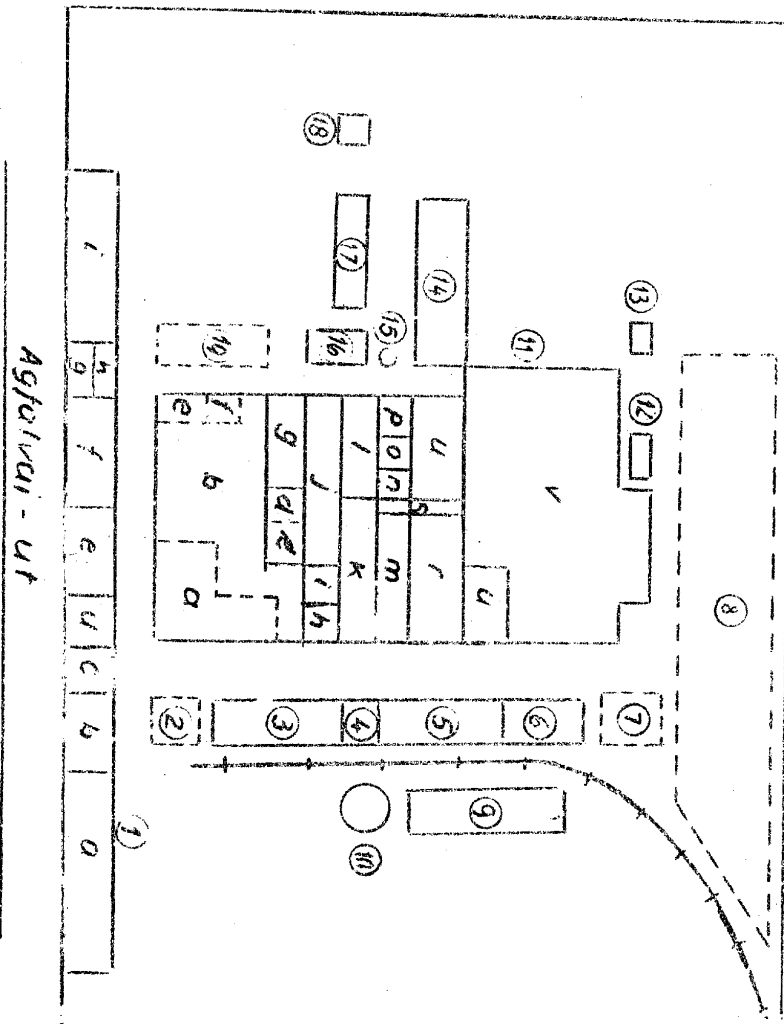
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Legend to Sketch

- 1 two-story building, 80 by 10 meters
 - a - wages and management offices
 - b - cultural room and messhall
 - c - entrance
 - d - janitor's lodge
 - e - packing and store rooms
 - f - grinding and fitting shops
 - g - fire brigade
 - h - open shed
 - i - grinding and dressing shop
- 2 coke storage area
- 3 two-story building, 15 by 10 meters, with lavatories
- 4 cloak room and lavatories for women
- 5 open shed, 10 by 20 meters, storing shed and coal
- 6 one-story shed, 12 by 10 meters, with carpenter's shop equipped with 1 lathe, 1 circular saw, 1 band saw, and 1 planing machine.
- 7 coke storage area
- 8 iron storage area
- 9 one-story shed, 25 by 10 meters, storing coke
- 10 water tower
- 11 one-story shed, 80 by 40 meters
 - a machine workshop surrounded with wire fence
 - b maintenance shop, equipped with four drilling machines, one milling machine, two planers, and 5 lathes
 - c store room surrounded with wire fence
 - d plant office surrounded with wooden fence
 - e molding section surrounded with wooden fence
 - f tinsmith's workshop surrounded with wooden fence
 - g refuse depot
 - h welding shop, preheating shop
 - i core depot

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